



Priest Rapids Coordinating Committee Meeting

AGENDA

Tuesday, November 28, 2023
1:00 PM to NLT 4:00 PM
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PRCC Representatives and Alternates, and Facilitation

Bryan Nordlund, Facilitator	Scott Carlon, Justin Yeager (Alt), NMFS
Larissa Rohrbach, Facilitation Support, Anchor QEA	Bill Gale, USFWS
Kirk Truscott, Casey Baldwin (Alt), CCT	Chad Jackson, A. Murdoch (Alt) WDFW
Tom Lorz, CTUIR	Keely Murdoch, Brandon Rogers (Alt), YN
Curt Dotson, Tom Dresser (Alt), GPUD	

Action Items

- PRCC members will review the 2016 sub-yearling workshop agenda and materials, and recommend topics or speakers for the 2024 workshop.
- C. Dotson will share information on change in number of tern nests in Columbia Plateau.

Review Items

- The most recent version of Grant PUD's Draft 2025-2027 Smolt Survival Study Plan (V7a) was distributed following the meeting, on November 14, 2023.
- *2023 Fish Mode Operations Report*, fulfilling a condition of PRCC SOA 2022-03, sent on November 14, 2023.

Decisions and Approvals

- None.

Agenda

I. Welcome, Announcements and Introductions

II. Agenda Review

III. Meeting Minutes Status

The October 24 PRCC meeting minutes were distributed by Larissa Rohrbach by email on November 19, with revisions due before the next meeting.

IV. Actions Items Review

V. **DECISION: Approval of Grant PUD's Juvenile Yearling Chinook, Sockeye, and Steelhead Survival Study Plan, V7a (SOA 2023-02)**

VI. 2023 Fish Mode Summary

VII. Subyearling Chinook Salmon Workshop Planning

VIII. PRCC Facilitator Position

IX. 2023 Fish Passage Operations Report

A. *Fish ladder inspections*

B. *Fish spill updates*

C. *Fish counts for 2023 (April 15 – November 15)*

The following are fish counts as of November 15, 2023:

Project	Spring Chinook Salmon (Adult + Jack)	Summer Chinook Salmon (Adult + Jack)	Fall Chinook Salmon	Sockeye Salmon	Coho Salmon	Steelhead
Priest Rapids*	18,888	49,547	44,963	231,359	16,664	7,615
Wanapum	19,152	57,251	27,908	228,172	11,500	7,526
Rock Island	17,619	51,574	17,628	247,772	17,690	8,326

*Priest Rapids counts available through November 13.

UPDATES

X. Review of Outstanding NNI Funded Projects

A. **Lower Wenatchee Instream Flow Enhancement Project Phase II** (No update anticipated)

B. Northern Pike Removal (2022-2024)

(No update anticipated)

C. WDFW PIT tag barge

D. 2023 Quincy Northern Pikeminnow Derby

(Complete)

E. 2023 RTR Avian Predation study

XI. Sub-Committee Updates

Nordlund has forwarded the latest subcommittee distributions he has received to date to PRCC members and alternates.

- Priest Rapids Fish Forum – met November 1, next meeting December 6.
- Habitat Subcommittee – did not meet in November, next meeting December 14.
- Fall Chinook Work Group – met October 3, next meeting May 7.
- Hatchery Subcommittee – met November 15, next meeting January 17.

XII. SOAs discussed in 2023

SOA number	Key Words	Last Discussed	Status
2022-03	Fish Mode revision	January 24, 2023	Approved
2023-01	Sockeye Salmon Program	January 24, 2023	Approved
2022-02	Hatchery Production Objectives, 2024–2033	February 28, 2023	Approved
2023-02	Survival Study	October 24, 2023	In Review; Approval requested

XIII. Next Meetings

The next PRCC meeting is scheduled for December 19 at 1 p.m., virtual only.